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1. Cottrell et al., "A real-time PCR assay for DNA-methylation using methylation-specific blockers," Nucleic Acids Research, 32(1):E01-10 (January 13, 2004);
2. Kawakami et al., "The Folate Pool in Colorectal Cancers Is Associated with DNA Hypermethylation and with a Polymorphism in Methylenetetrahydrofolate Reductase," Clinical Cancer Research, 9:5860-5 (December 1, 2003);
3. Esteller et al., "Inactivation of Glutathione S-Transferase P1 Gene by Promoter Hypermethylation in Human Neoplasia," Cancer Research, 58:4515-8 (October 15, 1998);
4. Database Genbank Online XP002321758 (Database Accession No. M24485), US National Library of Medicine, Bethesda, MD (December 5, 1994);
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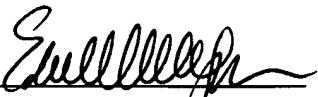
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